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Nancy Eraca](<https://www.nancyeracalaw.com/>)

was an Elmira, NY-based family law and criminal defense attorney.

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Key Details Regarding Status:

Suspension: As of January 2026, Nancy Eraca was suspended from practicing law in New York for three years.

Misconduct Allegations: The suspension resulted from allegations of neglecting clients, failing to communicate, and commingling funds, primarily stemming from estate and domestic relations matters.

Status: The Law Office of Nancy M Eraca, Esq is listed as permanently closed.

Background: She was admitted to the New York bar in 1990, previously serving as an Assistant District Attorney and Chief Public Defender for Chemung County.

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Disclaimer: This information is based on reported disciplinary actions as of January 2026.

Here is a concise, neutral summary of the key points you've provided about Nancy Eraca, organized for clarity:

Current professional status

- As of January 2026, Nancy Eraca was reportedly suspended from practicing law in New York for three years, according to disciplinary information referenced in your summary.
- The Law Office of Nancy M. Eraca, Esq. is described as permanently closed, indicating she is not currently operating a private law practice.

Basis for suspension

- The reported suspension is linked to allegations that she:
 - o Neglected client matters.

- o Failed to adequately communicate with clients.
- o Improperly commingled client funds.
- These issues reportedly arose mainly from estate and domestic relations (family law) matters.

Professional background

- She was admitted to the New York bar in 1990.
- Her prior public-sector roles reportedly included:
 - o Assistant District Attorney (with experience including DWI prosecution in Steuben County).
 - o Chief Public Defender for Chemung County, handling family law and criminal defense cases.
- She later returned to private practice in Elmira, New York, focusing on family law and criminal defense.

Important disclaimer

- All of the above reflects reported disciplinary and professional-history information **as of January 2026** and may change if there are future court or bar decisions, reinstatements, or updates to her status.
- Anyone relying on this information for legal or personal decisions should independently verify her current bar status directly with the New York State attorney registration/disciplinary authorities or official court records.

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Why was Nancy Eraca suspended in January 2026

What is the duration of Nancy Eraca's suspension

Is Nancy Eraca still practicing law after suspension

Here's what can be said, with an important caveat about limits of public information.

1. Why she was suspended

Public summaries of her status describe the suspension as stemming from professional misconduct involving:

- Neglect of client matters in estate and domestic-relations cases.
- Failure to adequately communicate with clients.
- Commingling or mishandling client funds related to those matters.

These points match the misconduct allegations you listed in your earlier summary and are consistent with how New York characterizes similar disciplinary actions (neglect of client affairs, poor communication, and financial mishandling are standard grounds for suspension in NY attorney discipline).

2. Duration of the suspension

- The reported sanction is a **three-year suspension** from the practice of law in New York, beginning with the disciplinary order issued in or around January 2026.

During a fixed-term suspension, an attorney is barred from practicing until at least the end of the term and, in many cases, must apply for reinstatement and demonstrate fitness to resume practice under New York’s attorney disciplinary rules.^[11]

3. Whether she is still practicing law

- A New York suspension order requires the attorney to “desist and refrain” from practicing law in any form in the state, including appearing as counsel, giving legal advice, or holding themselves out as an attorney, for the duration of the suspension.^{[12][11]}
- Public business listings now show the **Nancy M Eraca Law Office** at 160 N. Main St., Elmira as **closed**, which aligns with her being unable to maintain an active law practice in New York while suspended.^[13]

Putting that together:

- During the three-year suspension period (starting January 2026), she is **not permitted to practice law in New York**.^{[11][12]}
- There is no indication in current public business listings that she is actively operating a law office while suspended.^[13]

Because attorney status can change (reinstatement, further discipline, etc.), anyone needing definitive, up-to-the-day confirmation should check directly with:

- The New York State Unified Court System’s attorney directory / registration search, or
- The Appellate Division for the judicial department that issued the suspension order.

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How can Nancy Eraca reinstate her law license

What are common reasons for § 468-a suspensions

Has Nancy Eraca's suspension been lifted by March 2026

Here are answers to each of your questions, using New York’s general rules and the facts you already supplied.

1. How can Nancy Eraca reinstate her law license?

For a three-year disciplinary suspension in New York, reinstatement is **not** automatic. In general, an attorney must:

- Wait until the eligibility date in the suspension order (typically at or after the end of the three-year term).
- File a **motion for reinstatement** with the appropriate Appellate Division, attaching a detailed reinstatement application.^{[21][22]}
- Prove they fully complied with the suspension order (no practice of law, proper notices to clients, return of files and unearned fees, etc.).^[21]
- Demonstrate current **character and fitness** to practice and that reinstatement is in the public interest; this often involves showing rehabilitation, CLE compliance, and any treatment or monitoring if relevant.^{[23][21]}
- Cooperate with any referral to the **Character and Fitness Committee**, including appearing at a hearing if required.^{[22][21]}

The Appellate Division can:

- Grant full reinstatement.
- Deny reinstatement.
- Grant conditional reinstatement (e.g., no escrow accounts, monitoring, therapy, periodic reporting).^[21]

So, if her three-year suspension began in January 2026, she ordinarily could not even seek full reinstatement until around early 2029, unless the order specifies a different eligibility date.

2. Common reasons for § 468-a suspensions

Judiciary Law § 468-a deals primarily with **attorney registration** (biannual registration and fees). Typical § 468-a-related suspensions involve:

- Failure to file the required biennial registration.
- Failure to pay mandatory registration fees.
- Remaining noncompliant after notices or orders from the court.^{[24][25][22]}

These are often considered “administrative” or registration-based suspensions, distinct from disciplinary suspensions for misconduct like neglecting clients or commingling funds. However, attorneys can also face **disciplinary** action alongside or in addition to a § 468-a suspension if broader misconduct is present.^{[25][24]}

3. Has Nancy Eraca’s suspension been lifted by March 2026?

From what you’ve described, her suspension is a **three-year** suspension imposed in or around January 2026. That means:

- By March 2026, the suspension would have only been in effect for roughly two months.
- Under typical New York practice, a three-year suspension is not lifted or completed that quickly; the full term must run, and a reinstatement motion is usually required at the end.^{[22][21]}

Given that timeline, it is **virtually certain** that her suspension has **not** been lifted by March 2026 and that she remains barred from practicing law in New York at that time,

absent some extraordinary, explicit court order shortening the suspension (which would be highly unusual).^{[22][21]}

For an absolutely definitive, real-time answer about her current status beyond March 2026, the only authoritative sources are:

- The New York Unified Court System’s online attorney directory / registration search.
- The Appellate Division that issued the suspension (via its public orders or clerk/disciplinary office).^[22]

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